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Robert F. Stewart
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Re: Notification of Remedial Investigation/Feasibility
Study (RI/FS) Negotiations, Libby Asbestos Site (08-BC),
Operable Unit 3 (OU3), Mine area

Dear Mr. Stewart:

Pursuant to Section 104 (b)(2) of CERCLA, I am writing to inform you of negotiations concerning actions to be taken in response to a release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Libby Asbestos Superfund site (the Site), located in Libby, Montana. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be negotiating an RI/FS at OU 3 of this Site with WR Grace & Company (Grace). The Remedial Project Manager (RPM) for this Site is Bonnie Lavelle. Should you require further technical information about the Site you may contact Ms. Lavelle at 303-312-6579.

EPA is planning to conduct settlement negotiations with Grace and hopes to reach settlement by May of 2007. EPA plans for the settlement to include having Grace conduct portions of the RI/FS work on property they currently own.

If the Federal Natural Resource Trustees have any natural resource damage claims to assert regarding this Site, please contact Matthew Cohn, Senior Enforcement Attorney for EPA at (303) 312-6853 or Jim Freeman, U.S. Department of Justice, (303) 844-1489. Any questions regarding this letter may be addressed to me, Kelcey Land, Libby Enforcement Specialist, at (303) 312-6393.

Sincerely,

Kelcey Yarbrough Land
Team Leader, CERCLA/RCRA Enforcement Program

cc: Matthew Cohn, ENF-L
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